



# Moving Community Health Priorities into Action Using the Spectrum of Prevention

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# Norms

Based in culture & tradition

Attitudes, beliefs, ways of being

Behavior shapers

More than a habit

Sanction behavior

Communicate regularity in behavior

Taken for granted

### **Tobacco in Pharmacies**



### **Pharmacy Tobacco Policy**









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People are unbelievably resilient—but traumatized people interacting with other traumatized people— a community can really run the risk of imploding.

Violence prevention practitioner (Adverse Community Experiences and Resilience: Preventing and Addressing Community Trauma)



### **Training Objectives**

- Describe underlying community determinants/social determinants of health that impact multiple health conditions
- Introduce The Spectrum of Prevention as a tool to plan and design strategies that have the greatest impact on reducing health inequities
- Apply The Spectrum of Prevention to support a multifaceted, comprehensive initiative aligned with their coalition's prevention strategies

### **Introductions**

Please turn to another person in the room and state:

- Your name and organization
- Please describe a healthy norm in your community. In your opinion, why does this norm exist?

What type of positive norms exist in the community you live and/or work in?

What type of harmful norms exist in the community you live and/or work in?

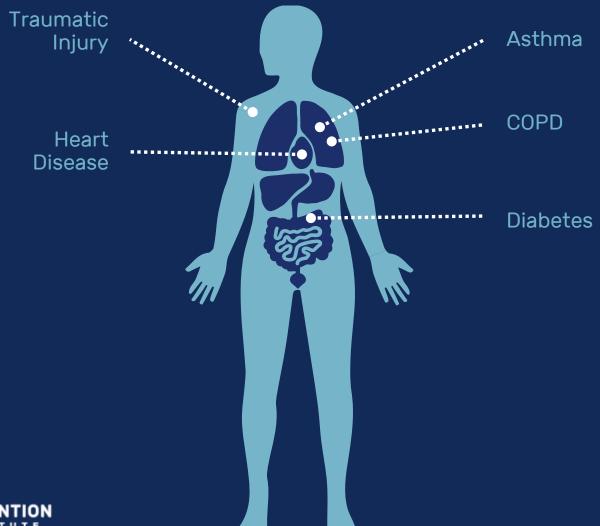
### Is it just individual choice?



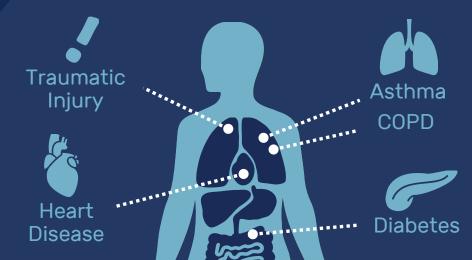


"People's health is strongly influenced by the overall life odds of the neighborhood where they live. Indeed, place matters. In many low-income urban and rural communities, whole populations are consigned to shortened, sicker lives."

### "Physical" Health Conditions



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# "Physical" Health Conditions









COPD





Ongoing Trauma

### **Experiences in our environment**

In an unsafe neighborhood

Parks closed in neighborhood

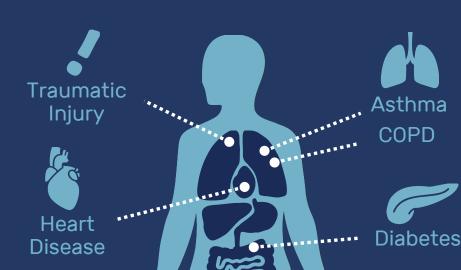
Frustrating situation at work



Health & Wellbeing









Junk food more

than health food

Ongoing Trauma



### **Trauma: What We Know**

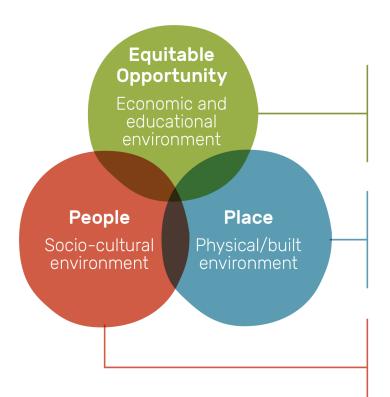
- Trauma is the impact of experiences or situations that are painful.
- There is growing understanding about trauma, particularly its prevalence and impact.
- Trauma-informed care is becoming a standard in a growing number of places
- The predominant approach to dealing with trauma is screening and treatment, consistent with an individual medical model.

### Community Trauma: What We're Learning

- Trauma also manifests at the community level, and is not just the aggregate of individuals in a neighborhood who have experienced trauma.
- Community trauma is the impact of chronic adversity (e.g., violence and structural violence) across a community.
- There is an understanding that trauma serves as a barrier to effective solutions to promote health, safety and well-being.
- There are manifestations, or symptoms, of community trauma in the social-cultural, physical/built and economic environments.

## **THRIVE**





- Intergenerational poverty
- Long-term unemployment
- Relocation of businesses and jobs
- Limited Employment
- Disinvestment
- Deteriorated environments and unhealthy, often dangerous public spaces with a crumbling built environment
- Unhealthy products
- Disconnected/damaged social relations and social networks
- The elevation of destructive, dislocating social norms
- A low sense of collective political and social efficacy

# Symptoms of Community Trauma Across a Community

### **THRIVE Factors**

#### **People**

### **Equitable Opportunity**



Social networks & trust



Participation & willingness to act for the common good



Norms & culture



Education



Living wages & local wealth/assets

#### **Place**



What's sold & how it's promoted



Look, feel, & safety



Housing



Parks & open space



Air, water & soil



Getting around



Arts & cultural expression

# 7 Community Determinants associated with Mental Health & Wellbeing



- Social networks & trust
- Participation & willingness to act for the common good
- Norms & culture
- Look, feel & safety
- Housing
- Arts & cultural expression
- Living wages & local wealth



### Making Connections Video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FV\_zNssEDPU



### **Pillars of Wellbeing**

- Belonging/Connectedness A sense of acceptance
- Control of Destiny Sense of purpose
- Dignity Sense of own value
- Hope/Aspiration Belief something is possible
- Safety Sense of stability
- Trust Reliability in self and others

### The Ohio Experience

- The concepts of community trauma and building resilience to address harm in the community resonated deeply with what 12 Ohio counties adversely impacted by OUD and Opioid Overdose Deaths saw driving the crisis in the state:
  - loss of industry
  - high rates of unemployment
  - broken relationships and lack of social supports
  - social isolation
  - pervasive sense of hopelessness in communities hardest hit

### The Ohio Experience

- This approach has been used to:
  - build community trauma-informed teams
  - support the development of local theories of change that consider community trauma
  - reduce stigma that arises when issues are seen solely as problems of individual behavior versus through a broader lens of contributing community factors
  - link root causes of OUD to other "wicked" problems such as social isolation, joblessness, and poor educational opportunities
  - develop a strategic roadmap that considers underlying factors and root causes driving OUD

### **The Wicked Problems - Local Priorities**

- Social Isolation and Lack of Connectedness
- Lack of Economic Opportunity
- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Lack of Access to Transportation
- Lack of Housing Options

### The Wicked Problems - Local Strategies

- Working with substance use treatment providers
- Partnering with parks and rec
- Partnering with faith communities
- Working with local transportation agencies
- Working with housing providers

### **Spectrum of Prevention**

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**Changing Organizational Practices** 

Fostering Coalitions & Networks

**Educating Providers** 

**Promoting Community Education** 

Strengthening Individual Knowledge & Skills

### A Comprehensive Approach to Increasing Breastfeeding: Sample Strategies



TRICARE Moms Improvement Act, BABES Act, Baby Friendly Hospital laws, paid parental leave

Designated spaces to breastfeed in workplaces and public venues; breastfeeding promotion in physician's offices and hospitals

Local breastfeeding coalitions

Healthcare providers, WIC and childbirth educators, lactation consultants, doulas

Social media campaigns, organized events (e.g. World Breastfeeding Week, National Breastfeeding Month, Black Breastfeeding Week)

Educational materials (e.g. video tutorials, flyers, text messaging programs), breastfeeding classes

#### **Activity:**

## Brainstorming Goals for Action

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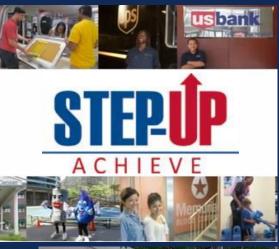
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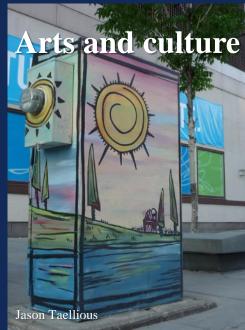
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#### Commerce





# MINNEAPOLIS BLUEPRINT for ACTION to PREVENT YOUTH VIOLENCE





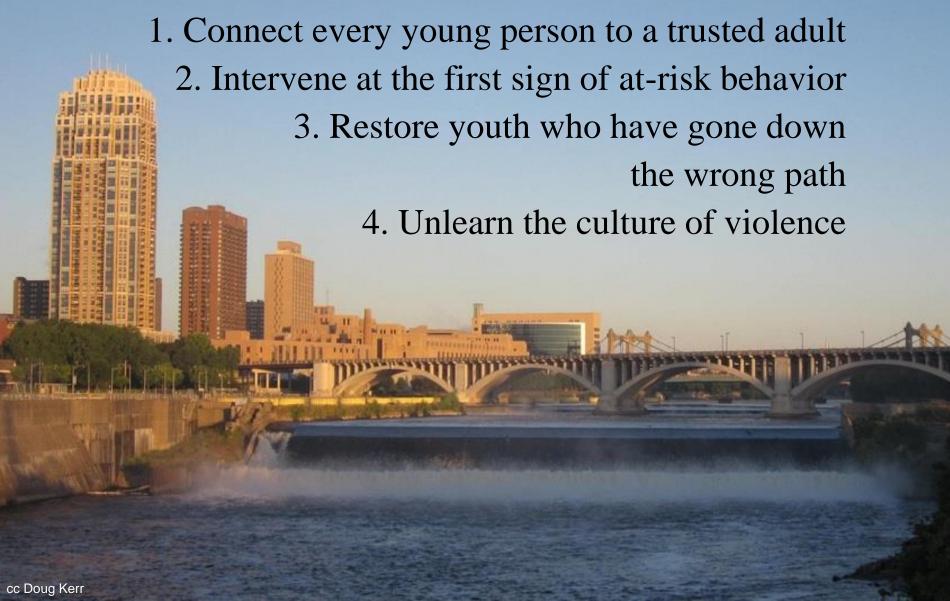






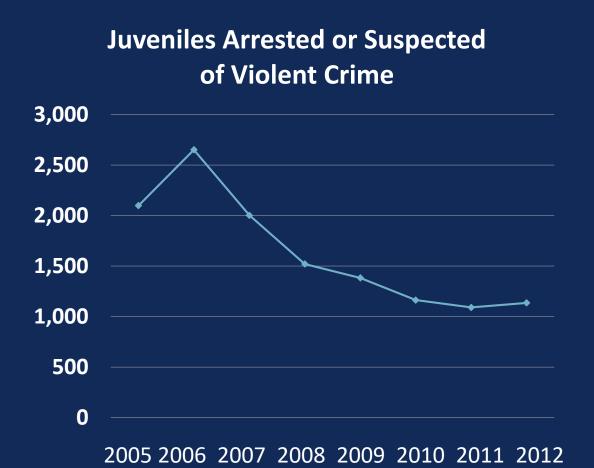
Youth wellness

## Minneapolis Blueprint for Action Goals



#### **Blueprint for Action**

#### Results



- Number of youth homicide victims down 60% from 2006
- 4x as many high school students with year-round jobs, internships



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#### **Community-Driven Planning**

### Build a shared understanding from lived experience and data

Participatory community assessments
Winfield Anti-Violence Coalition, Winfield, Kansas



#### **Key Fact:**

Effective community education not only alerts groups to information, but also builds a critical mass of support for potential solutions that promote healthier norms.

# Spectrum Activity: Part 1

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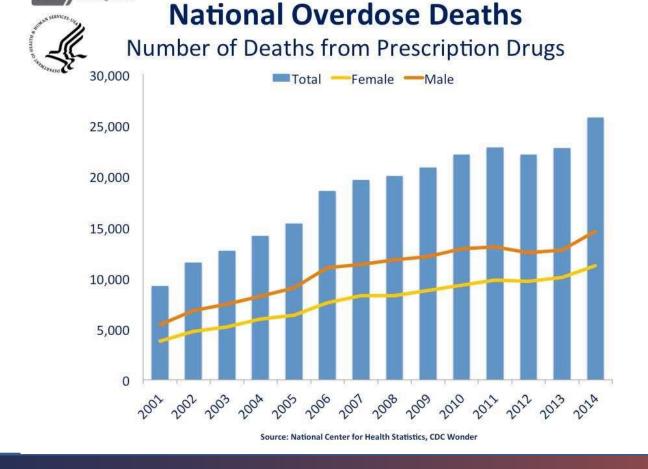
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#### **Opioids Nationally**

- Drug overdoses now kill more people than gun homicides and car crashes combined.
- In 2012, US physicians wrote 259 million prescriptions for opioid painkillers — enough to give a bottle of pills to each person in the U.S.



National Institute on Drug Abuse

#### **Opioids Nationally**

#### **Providers Take Many Forms...**









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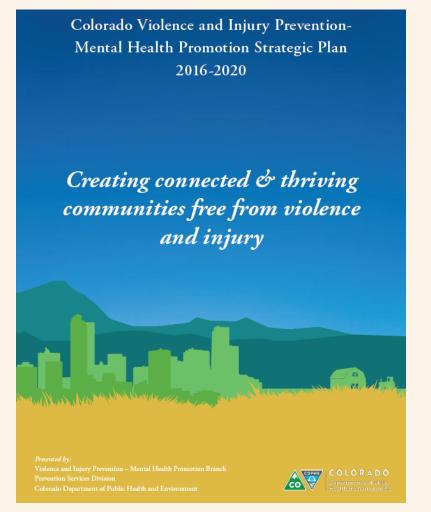
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#### Build and operationalize a shared agenda

Strategic planning to address multiple forms of violence, *Colorado, USA* 



Suicide

Prescription drug overdose

Older adult falls

Motor vehicle crashes

Interpersonal violence

Child maltreatment

Traumatic brain injury

#### **Braiding and Blending in Colorado**

**Evidence-based strategy** 

**Health Policy** 

Comprehensive Sexual

**Level of SEM** 

Funding agencies

CO Dept. of Public Health

and Environment: CO Youth

**Connections to other** 

Suicide

Interpersonal

work

SOCIETAL	<ul> <li>Statewide Bullying Prevention Policy</li> </ul>	Matter CO Dept. of Education	• Child maltreatment
COMMUNITY/ ORGANIZATIONAL	<ul> <li>Communities that Care</li> <li>Social norms around healthy relationships</li> <li>Youth-led community organizing</li> </ul>	CO Dept. of Public Health and Environment; Local Public Health Agencies; CO Dept. of Human Services (Office of Behavioral Health and Tony Grampsas Youth Services)	<ul> <li>Substance abuse</li> <li>Child maltreatment</li> <li>Interpersonal</li> <li>Suicide</li> </ul>
INTERPERSONAL/ RELATIONAL	<ul> <li>Safe Dates</li> <li>Mentors in Violence Prevention</li> <li>Good Behavior Game</li> <li>Sources of Strength</li> </ul>	CO Dept. of Human Services (Office of Behavioral Health), Dept. of Education	<ul><li>Interpersonal</li><li>Substance abuse</li><li>Suicide</li></ul>

# What are the benefits of forming coalitions?





#### **Benefits of Forming a Coalition**

- Brings together diverse experience and skills
- Gathers wide array of perspectives
- Combines advocacy power
- Provides access to more constituencies and networks
- Creates greater focus on common goals
- Fosters sustainability

## Partnership is Key



## Spectrum Activity: Part 2

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**Defining Organizational Practice Change:** General practices of organizations and institutions that guide activities and norms

Photo credit: Prevention Institute

#### **Key Fact:**

Organizational practice change efforts from institutions such as city agencies, businesses and health systems provide venues for health among the public as well as for their employees.

#### **Healthcare as Anchor Institutions**

 Connecting African American Men to Economic Opportunity in New Orleans







What are some healthy organizational practices that you participate in?





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#### **OVP Strategic Planning Process**

Goal: Create a detailed, actionable strategic plan that prioritize the responsibilities of the Office, infrastructure needed (staffing, funding, delegated authority), and potential funding sources.

Timeframe	Component	
Mar 2018	Board Motion Passed	
Apr – Jun 2018	Initial scoping: key stakeholders, best practices, other jurisdictions, local data (DPH)	
May - Oct 2018	Stakeholder interviews and listening tours (Prevention Institute)	
Jun 2018	Proposed plan for initial infrastructure and strategic planning to Board	
Jul – Dec 2018	Strategic Planning for initial roles/focus areas (Consultant TBD)	
Dec 2018 / Mar 2019	Office strategic plan submitted to Board	

#### **Advocacy vs. Lobbying**

#### **Advocacy**

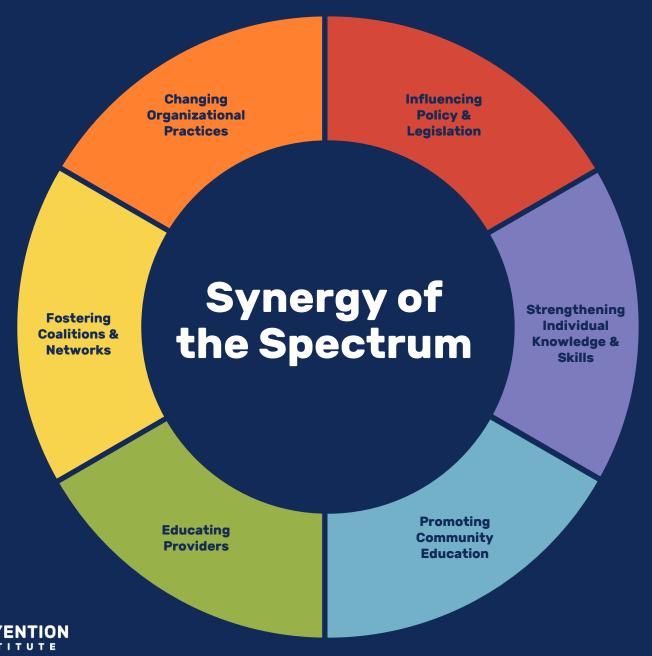
- Education
- Facts
- Bi Partisan
- Balanced
- No call to action (position not taken)
- Activities that defend, support or maintain a cause
- Usually broad issues

#### **Lobbying**

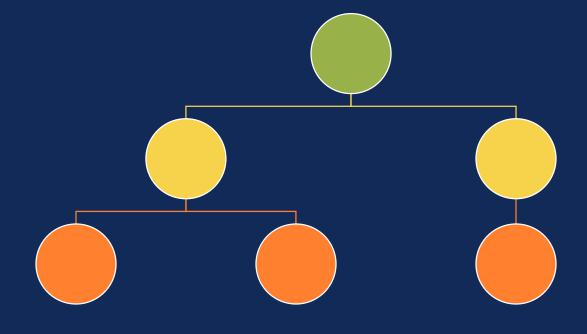
- Influencing legislation, regulation, funding
- Actions aimed at influencing public officials to promote or secure passage of specific bill or funding
- A paid representative for a particular org

#### More Ways to Influence Policy

- Write letter of support
- Develop a social media campaign to raise awareness of the issue
- Provide testimony for a hearing- to your city, regional or state government
- Provide a one page brief on your issue following a media report
- Organize community partners and other young people to visit key decision makers
- Host a forum or town hall for youth



# A good solution solves multiple problems.



# Spectrum Activity: Part 3 & 4

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Working on community determinants is both scary and reassuring. If we don't do this level of prevention, we will always be chasing the problem.

-Ohio Community Collective Impact Model for Change Learning Community Partner







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